

## **STAFF REPORT**

**AGENDA ITEM:** 2010/11 Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program Update

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**Issue:** An update on the 2010/11 grant cycle will be provided.

**Background:** As required by the regulations governing the OHMVR Division's Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program, the 2010/11 grants cycle began with the opening of the application process on January 10, 2011.

OHMVR Division staff conducted two grant workshops which were held in Sacramento, on January 10 and 11, 2011, and in Ontario, on January 12 and 13, 2011. Approximately one hundred (100) prospective applicants attended each workshop.

The deadline for preliminary applications was March 7, 2011. During the month of March, OHMVR Division staff reviewed all applications and drafted comments to be submitted to the grant applicants. In addition, the public provided comments and feedback on the preliminary applications to both the OHMVR Division and the applicants.

Critical dates for the remaining grant cycle process:

- Final applications are due May 2, 2011.
- OHMVR Division staff will review and validate scores for final applications during the month of May.
- Intent to Award document will be posted on the OHMVR Division website on June 6, 2011.
- If there are no appeals, the awards will become final on July 7, 2011.

**Discussion:** OHMVR Division staff will be working with applicants to ensure both OHMVR Division and public comments are incorporated in their final application.

**Commission action:** For information only.